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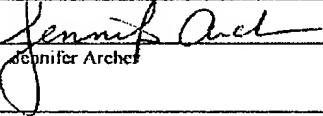
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A324-II**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : MANFRED T. REETZ ET AL.
SERIAL NO. : 09/463,494
FILED : July 25, 2000
FOR : METHOD FOR PRODUCING AND IDENTIFYING NEW
HYDROLASES HAVING IMPROVED PROPERTIES
ART UNIT : 1652
EXAMINER : C. Patterson

March 13, 2006

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.